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Total Claims	38	38	0	X \$18.00	\$ 0.00
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Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of a final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent Office on May 20, 2003 for the above-identified patent application. On page 2 of the Official Action, the Examiner notes a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and Form 1449 with cited references filed on August 13, 2002 did not reach the application file.

In response to the Examiner's request, Applicants are resubmitting copies of the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and Form 1449 filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on August 13, 2002 with enclosure of the cited prior art. A copy of the return postcard showing a Patent and Trademark Office date stamp of August 19, 2002 is also enclosed. According to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1), the

Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, Form 1449, and references were originally timely submitted. Therefore, Applicants believe no fee is due. However, authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account 50-1038 if an additional fee is necessary.

Attorney for the Applicants states that the above-referenced copies are true copies of the originally mailed correspondence.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner promptly return a copy of the initialed Form 1449 to the Applicants' representative with the next Office communication.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicants' attorney of record, Hallie A. Finucane at 952.253.4134.

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